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The Baird Star.

NOTICE

Last week we sent out statements on all subscriptions due in the county; many have responded, but a large majority have not. We ask as a special favor that all try to pay up between now and Christmas the sooner the better. We have some payments to make which we cannot meet unless those who owe us help us out.

"TIS NEITHER BIRTH, NOR WEALTH, NOR STATE, BUT THE 'GIT-UP-AND-GIT' THAT MAKES MEN GREAT

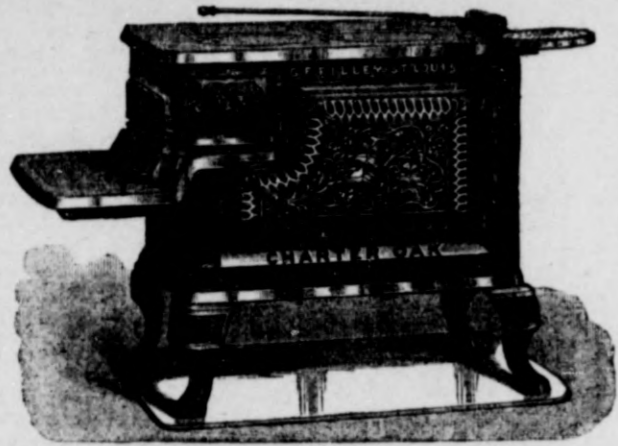
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H. MEYER,
—LEADER IN—
STOVES, HARDWARE AND QUEENSWARE.

KEEP WARM!



Prepare for Northerners

What is the excitement at Harry Meyer's? I see such a crowd about his door?

Why, he has just received a carload of those excellent "Our Leader" cook stoves, and, by the way, he is also selling the "Charter Oak" and "Buck's Brilliant."

Yes, but I know they are too high for these hard times.

No, sir; it would surprise you. He is actually selling those fine stoves as cheap as I paid for a common worthless stove a short while back. You see he sells everything in the Hardware and Queensware line at the lowest prices.

H. MEYER,
THE LEADER IN HARDWARE AND LOW PRICES.

A. COOKE,
DEALER IN
DRY GOODS.
Notions, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Ladie's FINE DRESS GOODS, GENTS' FURNISHING GOODS, ETC.

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PACE & KROGULL,

PROPRIETORS OF THE

City Meat Market.

Fresh Beef, Pork, Sausage, Fish, Poultry. All meats refrigerated and the animal heat thoroughly extracted before offered for sale.

Everything neat and clean and only the Best of Meat Sold

LUMBER.

We have on hand

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LARGE STOCK

—OF—

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DOORS,
LIME
ETC.



SHINGLES
BLINDS,
CEMENT,
ETC.

of which will be sold at the very lowest living rates. Get our prices before you buy and we will guarantee satisfaction.

Tooling Crowder

NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS NOTES

Belle Plaine Budget.

BELLE PLAINE, JAN. 9.—Chas. W. Bruton a grandson of Rev. Holloway who worked last year for J. B. Cutbirth has returned from Louisiana and will try it again with his former employer.

John Flores and family spent several days visiting with relatives at Putman.

Plea West had the boys out last Thursday and Friday for roadworking. I don't know whether a road-overseer is appointed for the Baird—Belle Plaine road vice A. C. Davis who has left the precinct, but I know that this road needs the immediate attention of the overseer. It seems a very difficult thing to fill promptly vacancies in certain little offices. We are still without a Justice of Peace and without a Constable. What in the world are we electing a commissioner and a County Judge for if the officers fail to attend to their duties, especially in such cases of vacancy that are running on for longer than three months.

Douglas Floyd and Oscar Taylor both working for A. C. Davis, at Tecumseh, drove over a bunch of steers the other day and spent a couple hours in town.

Prof. L. F. Hall's school numbers thirty-five scholars. That speaks very well for the management.

Prof. J. I. Rawson opened his school in the Holloway settlement Monday with an attendance of seventeen.

Capt. Floyd has a new and complete outfit of surveying instruments and is already in the field doing some pressing work for H. (Tod) Windham and A. C. Davis and others in that neighborhood.

Col. Lark Hearn started Sunday for Austin to attend the Cattleman convention. Mrs. G. W. Hall, nee Minnie Hearn left the same day with her baby for Jester, Oklahoma to join her husband.

C. C. Seale returned Sunday from Abilene with a small bunch of horses and mules.

There were not less than three parties on Friday last in town and neighborhood. Looks not much like hard times.

Capt. Maltby, our pioneer orchardist and fruit grower passed through town the other day with a lot of figvine cuttings also strawberry and blackberry plants, ordered from Ballinger and neighborhood. Home industry should be patronized under all circumstances and especially in the nursery line, your own interest recommends it, as you get from the home establishment plants and seed that are already acclimated and tested right under your own eyes.

The celebrated case against our ex-Professor Osborn turned out just as every citizen with common sense expected it. Mr. O. was cleared for whipping that boy and I feel really sorry that this gentleman was put to so much trouble and expense, also that the county is minus of at least \$20 or \$30 and finally that a number of citizens lost their time as witnesses, just to satisfy purely personal and highly prejudiced whims. I learn that the jury was unanimous in their clearing verdict for whipping the boy, but that several members of that body was in favor of fining the professor at least \$10 for not whipping the father. If that story is unloaded on me as a joke, I consider it a good joke.

My acquaintance with "Dame La Grippe" the Pysian monster rignas, was, as we all know, a very unpleasant one. Yesterday for Cleburne where Mr. Lea is to be married next day, my wife and I went to the contracting parties are well and favorably known in Baird and Abilene society circles.

The Intrinsic Value of Small Things.

An original essay read by Mr. Alden Bell before the Thessalonian Club on Friday night, Dec. 22, 1893, and published by request of a number of friends:

We propose to treat the subject which falls to our lot to elucidate, in three aspects: First, the intrinsic value of small things; second, their influence in nature; third, their moral effect.

Let us at once make a hurried estimate of those objects which concentrate within the smallest limit, the greatest amount of value and influence. The tongue, the pen, the pronoun I, the gem, all speak eloquently in behalf of concentrated strength. The human tongue! Who has not reveled on the creations of its inspired fancy? There is not a living soul which has not hung enraptured upon the charming strains of its oratory, or followed with swelling and delicious admiration the flowing periods of its eloquence. And which of us here has not hung enchanted on its utterances, or wittered beneath its scathing rebuke; how many millions have been inspired with enthusiastic ardour for virtue and patriotism by its holy teaching, and alas, how many millions have gone astray and perished when it spoke to delude or dazzle. Mighty in power, either for good or evil, let him tremble who uses it to gloss over vice, or even to conceal the truth.

The pen, though devoid of that potent magnetism, which by the tongue of the orator strike fire from the human soul almost without its will, or consent, is more potent, because it annihilates time, and space, and perpetuates research in the fields of science, religion and literature. What countless wealth of science, what golden mines of "thoughts that breathe and words that burn," what beautiful poetic dreams, what glorious records of God-like lives proclaim the sovereignty of the pen. Dim without it, through the mists of time, and tradition would come to us the names and thoughts of the dead of past ages, the heroes, sages, martyrs, the "morning stars who sang together," at the birth of religion, philosophy and poetry. All hail to you silent recorder of the ages, from the stylus to the gray goose quill.

And greatest of the smallest in all the illuminated alphabet with comprehensive and terrible signification is the letter "I." The Lord of Hosts, amid the thunders of Sinai, proclaimed himself the great "I am." And millions now of little minded men treading the narrow circle of selfishness view it as a cabalistic word, comprising all that is precious or worth living for. God has covered this beautiful earth with a garment of green, has reared up mighty mountains, and over all has arched the blue heavens, "like the canopy which love has spread to curtain a sleeping world." But buried in dark mines, and below the restless sea, He has scattered His jewels; the blue amethyst, the fair pearl, the flashing diamond. Life and limb are imperiled for their possession, and royalty wears them, as its insignia of rank. And gentle listener let me use the words of one far more worthy to speak than myself, and say:

"Ask why God made the gem so small,
And why so huge the granite;
'Tis that mankind should always set
The highest value on it."

Pause with me a moment while we briefly review the mighty results Mother Nature achieves through the smallest agents. The dew besides the ing dewdrop, light and that he was sick, heart failure the Dr. Wilson the attending physician informs us. The remains were buried in the Baird Cemetery Wednesday evening THE STAR extends sympathy and condolence to the relative of the deceased.

PATTY BRO'S,
Grocers, Grain,
AND
Commission Merchants.

PATTY BROS. extend to their many friends, customers and public at large a happy Xmas greeting, and our appreciation for the very liberal patronage received during the short time in business.

The experience of the unprecedented hard times through which the country is now passing forcibly impresses us with the importance of keeping out of debt. PAY AS YOU GO and always be happy. In order to be happy too, we will conduct our business on a CASH BASIS, giving careful attention to the wants of increasing trade, guaranteeing all goods to come up to representation; in this way we hope to merit your patronage. Wishing you health and prosperity and many Happy New Years, we extend a cordial welcome to our store. "Our Bob" extends his grateful acknowledgement to his many friends for their very liberal encouragement given by their patronage and kind wishes.

Seed, Oats, Corn, Best Hay, Bran, with a complete line of Fresh Groceries on hand and constantly arriving.

would be that grand triumphant arch? God's glorious covenant with a suffering world! God's prophet says, "despise not the day of small things," and nature takes up the refrain and proclaims it with a thousand silver voices!

And last because 'tis sweetest, let us dwell on the moral influence of small things. Oh! what a world of joy, what an abyss of misery may be revealed by a single word. Life, death, hope, despair hang on the simple No and Yes! These acts I am speaking of are those which are rooted and grounded in the purest and best affections of our natures, which bloom and blossom under the sacred influences of our homes, which starting amid the loves and purity of the family circle, broaden and deepen into love of neighborhood and growing with our growth and expanding with our experiences ripen into the very love of country.

the love of country and of home deep-rooted and abiding that blurs the eyes of the dying soldier with visions of an old homestead amid the green fields and clustering trees, that persistent, though put aside, at last leads the steps of the busy man away from the marts of trade, through shady lanes and well remembered paths back to his childhood's home, where gathering up the broken, but let us hope not dishonored, fragments of his life he owns the soil his conqueror. And the citizen standing in the doorway of his own home with his family close around him, while the evening of a well spent day is closing in scenes and sounds that are dearest, with plenty and peace and prosperity beaming from his hearthstone, where the fires of liberty are blazing ever, Meyer, is no longer heard. Watchman; J. A. ... Trustee, re-elected; R. G. Powell, M. D., Medical Examiner.

the same mournful strains that have so sadly greeted the early messengers of their morning.

Oh! let us not as a people, as a class "despise the day of small things," but each hour strive by gentle words and little acts of generosity and kindness to rise to the full station of symmetrical manhood and womanhood.

Cottonwood Correspondence.

COTTONWOOD TEX. Dec. 9th 1894.—

The report that Messrs. Norton and Campbell were drowned on the coast is a mistake. Said gentleman are diving in the briny deep for oysters and pearls, living where winter is never known and where one can eat and sleep, sleep and eat and laziness is a virtue.

Dr. E. M. Rust and family are contemplating moving to Merkel their future home, this week.

Ye Loke made a trip to the the capital of Callahan this week and notwithstanding hard times, reports Baird on a small building boom and trade lively.

There is very little sickness in and about Cottonwood at present. Mr. M. L. Emerson who has been down with slow fever for some time is convalescing slowly.

Miss Lola McGowen is not clear of fever yet, but is much better, she having relapsed since our last report.

Capt. Norrell relapsed with la grippe and was quite sick, but is up and about once more.

W. E. Mays is well.

William Cottonwood

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E. GILLILAND, Editor and Proprietor

BAIRD, FRIDAY, JAN. 12, 1894.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

The following is the rates of announcements for 1894 in THE BAIRD STAR:
For Congress, \$15.00
All other District offices 10.00

COUNTY OFFICERS:
County Judge 10.00
County and District Clerk 10.00
Sheriff and Tax Collector 10.00
Tax Assessor 10.00
County Treasurer 10.00
County Attorney 6.00
County Surveyor 6.00
Inspector 6.00
Public Weigher 6.00
Precinct Offices 3.00

CITY OFFICERS:
City Marshal 6.00
Mayor and Aldermen 2.50
The above rate includes name on the Democratic ticket at general election; and in every instance CASH MUST BE PAID IN ADVANCE. No credit goes. In the event candidates do not announce in THE BAIRD STAR, one-half the regular announcement fee will be charged for their name on the Democratic ticket at general election. Should anyone withdraw after having announced no part of their fee will be refunded.

SCHOOL ELECTION.

To-morrow is the day appointed by the city council to hold an election to decide whether or not the city shall assume charge of the public schools of Baird. Most, perhaps all those who signed the petition did not understand the full import of the step taken. On investigation it is found that should we vote to give the city exclusive control of the Public Schools we will at the same time abolish the special school tax. That is exactly what the State superintendent says; any one can see the letter by calling on Prof. F. W. Chatfield. Therefore if we vote to give the city exclusive control of the school, under present conditions we gain nothing and lose the 20 ct tax now in existence. The polls will probably not be opened, but if so we would advise every one who favors a special tax to vote against every proposition submitted. It is well known in Baird that THE STAR has always advocated a special school tax, and also favored everything that had a tendency to build up our school interest, having this in view the writer signed the petition asking the city council to order the election now under consideration. The moment we discovered that what we asked for would upset what we worked for so long and faithfully before we got it i. e. the special school tax, we decided to vote and work against the city assuming control of the schools, and we earnestly advise all who favor good schools to do the same, should the polls be opened. The time will doubtless come soon when it will be best for the city to assume charge of the schools, but not now. Don't make any mistake. Vote against exclusive control. You don't want it if you want a good school.

You can't keep a good town down, Baird continues to grow in spite of fate and hard times.

Plant an ad in THE STAR for ninety four if you want to keep up with the procession.

It is written in the book of fate that Baird will have water works in the good-year ninety four, at least that is the interpretation we find in the stars.

The Democrats in congress should understand once for all that the country demands a reduction of the tax the sooner they come the better the Democratic names from the list to this

THE LOCAL PAPER.

Some people have a queer idea about a local paper any way. They never think about asking one of the large metropolitan papers for credit, yet they will let their subscription to their local paper lag behind for years and then get mad as a hornet if the editor intimates that he wants the money. Suppose some men would let their account run behind at the grocers, dry goods store or the bank as they do their subscriptions to their county paper? How long do you suppose the merchants and bankers would extend further credit on this style of doing business. The bank would cut one off the first time he failed to pay up or renew his note and the merchant would certainly not carry one longer than a year. Publishers are no more able to carry accounts on long time than other business men, yet few think nothing of asking credit for four or five years, some more. They think no doubt that what they owe is so small that it makes very little difference any way, unmindful of the fact that others are liable to think the same way, and most of the accounts being small the first thing the publisher knows he has accumulated hundreds of dollars, thousands in some instances, of debts due him, and not a dollar in cash on hand to pay actual expenses.

It is the little things that count, remember this. We have mentioned one class of men who support their local paper. There is another class of subscribers entirely different. They always know when their subscription is out and they are as prompt as a reliable clock. They either pay up when their subscription is out or they order their paper stopped. That is the class of subscribers all publishers appreciate. We have always noticed too that as a rule men who pay their subscription and other small debts promptly are also prompt in larger transactions.

Another class think when they pay for a year's subscription that they buy an interest in the paper itself which gives them the right to dictate how it shall be conducted. Fortunately this class is not numerous and we are heartily glad of it.

Another class, business men, talk a great deal about supporting a local newspaper—what an advantage it is to a town etc, but frequently you cannot find their ads in the paper and sometimes their names are not even on the subscription book. This class usually expects the publisher to pay them about ten dollars in cash for each dollar they expend in advertising. Unfortunately the publisher is not always able to do this, yet he is sometimes forced to do so. Most of this class mean well. They want a paper in town so long as they can skin a few dollars out of it and when it ceases to be a source of revenue to them out side of the advantage of their little advertisements they do not care whether the paper lives or not. They reason it out about this way: Some fellow will usually be fool enough to run a paper and boost the town and county whether they patronize it or not, and they are right.

There is another class of business different from any mentioned they take whatever space they think is best and tell the people through the local paper that they have some thing to sell. They make a profit on their goods and are willing for the publisher to do the same. They never growl about the price or tell the publisher he must take his pay in "trade" They advertise because they believe it pays them to do so—not to benefit the paper—few men do notwith-standing some say they simply advertise to help the paper out. The publisher has his own idea about that and it is hard to convince them that any one will pay out money these days for anything unless he thinks he is going to get value received in return.

A newspaper is like any other business enterprise, but some how the public does not look at it that way.

A newspaper is expected to boost every business in a town or county, public and private, the public part without pay of course, and on the other side to take care of the interests of private enterprises, and to offend if the local and

can be published without cost. Every click of the type and every revolution of the press costs somebody something—in other words it takes money to run a newspaper—yet this statement will perhaps astonish some, 'tis the truth nevertheless.

In the death of Judge A. B. Norton, of Dallas, the Texas Press Association loses one of its most valuable members. He never missed a meeting of the association and was well liked by every member of the craft. The writer met Judge Norton for the first time at the meeting of the Press Association in Houston in 1890 and at every meeting of the association since that date. He was always lively, and full of fun, and was never so happy as when he could get a crowd of youngsters around him and tell them stories of the early days of Texas. It was like reading an encyclopedia to hear him talk of Houston, Clay and other noted men of that day and time. He was an ardent admirer of Henry Clay, the peerless Kentuckian, and made a vow when Clay was a candidate for president, never to shave or cut his hair until he was elected president. He religiously kept his vow to the day of his death, and his long flowing hair and whiskers, both almost as white as snow, was a constant reminder of his rash vow made nearly half a century ago. Judge Norton was an old line whig and when that party disbanded he joined the republican party. He was however a warm personal friend of Gen. Sam Houston and always supported him. Judge Norton published the first paper we believe ever issued in Fort Worth way back before the war and has been actively engaged in newspaper work ever since except during the war. Judge Norton while a staunch republican was popular with all parties and had a host of warm friends all over the state, especially among the newspaper men who will sadly miss him at the next reunion.

The other day a reporter of the Chronicle was watching the sky rockets sizz and explode, the Roman candles with their beautiful glare shooting across the heavens and listening to the enthusiastic bang of the cannon cracker, and watching a crowd of merry bon vivants, and wondering whether they realized what a holy day they were celebrating in this wild and reckless manner. "Seeing these revelers reminds me of an incident which happened a good many years back," remarked an old-timer breaking in on the reporter's reverie. "Judge Buford was on the bench and court was in session at Fort Worth. An important case was on trial and I was a juror. Court adjourned on Christmas eve until next morning. Judge Farris and Amos Bradshaw were opposing counsel in the case. Soon after court opened next morning Judge Farris sprung a legal question and arose to address the court. At the same time Bradshaw began a speech to the jury. Seeing which, Maj. Bledsoe of McKinney, arose in the rear of the court room and in a loud voice said: "Your honor, I see that Judge Farris is addressing the court and Maj. Bradshaw the jury, and with your permission, I will harangue the multitude!" and thereupon began a most energetic speech to the crowd on the rights of man and the privileges of an American citizen. The Judge looked perplexed a moment then said: "Adjourn court Mr. Sheriff, for everybody is drunk except Judge Farris!"—Clebroune Chronicle.

The Fort Worth Gazette says most of the county weeklies took a lay off Christmas week. THE STAR was one among the few country weeklies that did not have time to stop. THE STAR is going on seven years old, but has never missed but one issue, and that was not on Christmas but to make some necessary changes in the office early in 1888. While THE STAR has no time to let the employees rest and frolic we are heartily glad that others can afford to do so occasionally.

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We Have a Line
Of Boots that we expect to close out in the next 30 days. We don't ask cost for them for we expect to close them out and will sell them below first cost.

Our Clothing Can't be BEAT. And when you come and price you will find our goods reasonable that we will have no trouble in selling you your winter clothing.

We offer our entire line of Prints at 5c. Anything in Ginghams at 8 1-3 cents.

Bring your Boys in
And let us fit them up in new suits in less time than ever before. Why? Because we have a larger stock, and just what you want.

We are making prices to suit the times. Come and see.

B. L. BOYDSTUN.

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J. H. PETERS,

Notary Public, and agent for the following first-class stock companies.

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Mutual Reserve Fund Life Association of N. Y.	Capital \$45,000,000
Liverpool and London and Globe	\$45,000,000
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Hartford, of Hartford	\$1,000,000
Northwestern National	\$7,000,000
Mechanics and Traders	\$7,000,000
Home of New Orleans	\$4,000,000
Alamo, Texas	\$7,000,000
Concordia	\$7,000,000
New York Plate Glass, STANDARD ACCIDENT & MARINE LIVERY	
of Glass Falls, New York. Yearly patronage solid.	
Office with VAUGHN & CO. I will insure anything.	

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All kinds of Clothing, for Men, Boys and Children. From \$1.75 up to the finest wedding suits.

Will sell you Clothing so cheap that you may think we stole them.

STOCK MUST GO.



Boot, Shoe and Hat Department.

We have more boots and shoes now in stock than every other store in the county combined. Nearly all my own make and guaranteed. Anything in the **HAT** line, and cheaper than any where else.

I have more goods than I can handle and am extremely anxious to sell them out as soon as possible; competition not in it! Come and see my stock and be convinced. Respectfully Yours' for Business.

T. E. POWELL.

LOCAL NEWS.

BAIRD, FRIDAY, JAN. 12, 1894.

E. J. Barr, of Cross Plains, is in town to-day.

Mrs. R. D. White is visiting in Cisco this week.

Mr. G. A. Jameson visited his brother at Sweetwater Sunday.

Mrs. W. C. Covert, of Big Springs, is visiting friends in Baird.

D. L. Morris, of the Peak, was in town one day this week.

R. A. St. John the hustling druggist of Cottonwood was in the city Monday and Tuesday.

S. L. Ogle made a business trip to Cottonwood Monday and returned Tuesday.

Joe Tisdall of Cottonwood was in town Wednesday. Joe is awful anxious to see a good rain.

Mrs. W. E. Hunter and daughter, Miss Frankie, returned from Big Springs Wednesday.

J. H. Leech has moved to Cisco where he has secured a job on the railroad.

Messrs. Hinds & Crowder are loading ten cars of choice fed beef cattle for the St. Louis market to-day.

Miss Mattie Summers returned home to Baird Sunday after a delightful two weeks visit to Cleburne.

J. A. Wagner, of Cross Plains, was in today, and renewed his subscription for a year to THE STAR.

The Chase ranch will be sold on Feb. 6th. See Sheriff's sale for description of property.

Dick Kane and his mother, Mrs. E. K. Kane, moved to Fort Worth last week where they will make their home.

Mrs. A. A. Callahan returned sometime ago from a visit to her mother in East Texas and has been complaining with the grippe ever since.

THE STAR is indebted to R. L. Clark, formerly of Baird but now of St. Paul, Minn., for a late copy of the St. Paul Globe.

Will Webb, nephew of A. G. and Judge Webb, and a former resident of Baird is back from Mississippi, where he spent the last year.

Miss Clara Rhurup returned from Big Springs Wednesday where she has been attending her brother, Mr. Alfred Rhurup, who is quite sick at that place.

News was received here to-day that Dr. J. D. Windham was no better and Mrs. J. W. Jones and Miss Fannie Gilliland will go out to Tecumseh this evening.

T. E. Powell, W. J. Norton and John Laird spent a few days at Colorado City this week, witnesses in the Yates case. Yates, we understand, came clear.

Mr. and Mrs. Neil Edwards favored the youth and beauty of our city with a very pleasant social last Friday night. The affair was highly enjoyed by all who attended.

T. A. Gentry who was hurt in an accident at Big Springs a few weeks ago has resumed his place as engineer on the west bound passenger run. Tom says laying around is harder work than running.

The travel on the R. G. division of the Texas and Pacific railway is heavier than it has been for some time. The regular passenger train through here now carries three regular sleepers instead of one, as formerly.

THE STAR man made a trip to Tecumseh last week. It is very dry out there. More so apparently than some other portions of the county, but still the people are hopeful that it will rain in time to make a crop.

Last Friday evening at the residence of Mr. A. Cooke his two daughters, Misses Ada and Beulah, royally entertained Messrs. Jim Stone and Will Boydston, and Misses Hattie Black and Emily Teepies with an old-fashioned candy pulling. The favored few report a very pleasant time and return their many thanks for the enjoyment of the occasion.

We call attention to the card of Edwards & Dudley successors to W. R. McDermott, grain dealers, in this issue THE STAR cheerfully recommends the new firm to the public. Give them a call when you come to town. They will treat you right.

Louis Stellman who has been at work for his uncle, Harry Meyer for a number of years, started in business for himself on the 1st. He has opened up an implement business in the Boydston stone building on East side of Marketstreet. He will carry a full line of reaping and mowing machines, plows, harrows, etc and everything usually found in such lines of business. THE STAR bespeaks for him a liberal share of the business of Callahan County.

We publish our announcement rates this week for the ensuing elections. It will be seen that there are some changes. We always recognized the fact that the amount charged the various candidates was not equally proportioned. We have advanced the rate for congressional candidates, also Co. Judge, Co. & Dist. Clerk, Tax Assessor, Sheriff & Tax Collector and County Treasurer. The other offices remain unchanged. The present rate is more equitable and as low as any first class weekly paper in West Texas. Our rates heretofore were lower than any paper in this section of the state with very few exceptions.

Saturday night the doors of the hospitable mansion of Dr. James Osborne, were thrown open, and a scene of mirth and pleasure greeted the vision. This happy occasion was a progressive euchre party tended by the charming Miss Hattielu Osborne to her many friends, complimentary to Miss Mattie Summers, of Baird Texas. The parlors were brilliantly illuminated and all Cleburne's fair belles and gallant beaux were gathered there to participate in the mysteries of a "lone hand" counts two. The playing lasted until 11, when refreshments were served, after which dancing began, and flying feet kept rhythmical time to the lute of Orpheus until about two ve, when all after bidding their hostess good night and wishing her many happy returns of the evening, departed for their several homes.

The first prize, a beautiful pack of cards was given to Miss Erin Hall. The gentleman's prize was awarded to Mr. J. W. Miller. The booby prize, a soup ladle, was given to Miss Mattie Summers.

The following ladies and gentlemen were present: Misses Clyde McDowell, Emma Patrick, Erin and Flavia Hall, Ellen Smith, Dora Nauce, Mattie Summers, Lula Norwood, Eva Dickson, Lenna Timms, Hattielu Osborn and Messrs. Carl A. Dickson, Fred Dickson, Robt. Hall, Chris Garrison, Jake Hess, Harry Styron, J. W. Miller, E. B. Osborne, R. B. Crow, D. G. Fisher, and J. T. Allen.—Cleburne Chronicle.

Lodge Election.

A. O. U. W. Lodge No. 112, officers elected for the year 1894: G. W. Jones, W. M.; J. E. Pace, Foreman, Aug. Horn, Overseer; S. T. Fraser, Recorder, re-elected; F. S. Gage, Receiver, re-elected; Harry Meyer, Financier, re-elected; Ira Frazier, Guide; Aug. Wiks, Outside Watchman; J. A. McWaters, Inside Watchman; J. E. Pace, short term Trustee, re-elected; R. G. Powell, M. D., Medical Examiner.

SHERIFF'S SALE—REAL ESTATE.

By virtue of an Order of Sale, issued on the 11th day of January, A. D. 1894, out of the District Court of Callahan County, Texas, in cause No. 324, styled M. W. Shelly vs R. E. Arnold, I did on the 11th day of January, A. D. 1894 levy upon the following described real estate, situated, lying and being in the County of Callahan, State of Texas, about 14 miles south-west from the town of Baird, to-wit:

A strip containing 13 acres, about one square acre in width off of the west side of the north-west quarter of section No. 54 of the lands set apart for the benefit of the Lunatic Asylum—said strip of land extending across the entire west end of said quarter section and being fully described in deed of date January 7th, 1891, to defendant R. P. Arnold.

And I will on the 6th day of February, A. D. 1894, between the hours of ten o'clock in the forenoon and four o'clock in the afternoon offer the said land for sale for cash at and in front of the Court House door of Callahan County, Texas, in the presence of the Sheriff Callahan County, Texas.

J. W. Miller, Sheriff Callahan County, Texas.

NORMAN HORSES FOR SALE.

I will trade large half blood norman mares, or horses, for stock cattle or I will sell my horses on time. These are fine large horses, and it will pay farmers to buy them.

Wm. McManis, Baird Texas.

—COME AND SEE—
MILLER BROS.
CELEBRATED "ARISTO" PHOTOGRAPHS,
—THE BEST—
IN THE WORLD.

First Door South of VAUGHN & CO. BAIRD, TEXAS.

Dr. J. D. Windham, of Tecumseh, was prostrated last week by a severe attack of la grippe, but thanks to the skill of Dr. Eugene Rumph, assisted by his brother, Dr. J. M. Rumph, of Guion, who was called in consultation, he was reported much better at last account.

Miss Hattie Black has returned to her home in Hallettsville after spending about a year in Baird with her sister, Mrs. Miller. Miss Hattie's lovely character and kind and gentle manners endeared her to a number of friends who are sorry to see her depart.

Mesdames. Hugh Ross and R. D. Matthews, accompanied by Dr. R. G. Powell and Mr. Joe. L. Lea, Jr., left yesterday for Cleburne where Mr. Lea is to be married next Sunday to Miss Bourland. The contracting parties are well and favorably known in Baird and Abilene society circles.

The rumor that P. D. Norton and D. C. Campbell were drowned in the Gulf of Mexico some time in December, mention of which was made in last week's STAR by our Deep Creek correspondent, is, so we are informed by R. A. StJohn, of Cottonwood, without foundation. The parties were at home and well at last account.

D. PRICE DEAD.

Last Tuesday morning the people of Baird were surprised to learn that D. Price, brother of H. B. Price had died at his brothers residence in Baird. He had been complaining of feeling unwell for a few days, but very few persons besides the family were aware that he was sick. The immediate cause of his death was heart failure so Dr. Wilson the attending physician informs us. The remains were buried in the Baird Cemetery Wednesday evening. THE STAR extends sympathy and condolence to the relative of the deceased.

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AT POWELL'S,
If You Want
CHEAP GOODS.

BUY T. E. Powell's Men's \$4. Shoe. The Best.

W. E. GULLILAND, Ed. and Prop.

BAIRD TEXAS

MALLETTOA, lately monarch and conqueror of a successful laundry in Samoa, has been widowed by international decree.

VACCINATION, is now reduced to a petty ceremony and has been robbed of its most important element, the raising of a tiny blister.

DR. MAJUNIBAK, a high caste Brahmin physician, made considerable sacrifices in coming to this country to read a paper at the world's fair medical congress.

THE burden of housekeeping lies heavily upon the women of the civilized world, and nowhere is it more heavy than in the United States.

AN extensive clothing house in New York went into bankruptcy one day last week, failing with liabilities amounting to \$600,000.

CODFISH has been popularly believed to be about as economical a class of food as it was possible to buy, considering the price of it and the amount of nourishment it is known to contain.

AN interesting innovation has been made by the faculty of the girls' normal school in Philadelphia. A requirement that the pupil shall be versed in current topics has been added to the curriculum.

AN express train has been held up by masked bandits in Texas, and every passenger robbed.

LITTLE HAWAII STILL HOLDS

Navigation Will Be Brought to the Attention of Congress, With all the Facts as to What Has Been Done.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The Hawaiian controversy waxed warm from day to day in the senate.

Nothing Done Yet.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The caucus Friday night amounted to nothing as far as getting a quorum of Democrats to respond to their names in the house Saturday.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—Judge Abbott has applied to the river and harbor committee for permission to appear before it in regard to an appropriation for the improvement of the Trinity river to Dallas.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—Mr. Harter of Ohio has prepared a bill which he will introduce to-day providing for a bond issue of an amount which, in the judgment of the secretary of the treasury, may be necessary to keep money on hand and the credit of the government unimpaired.

of the committee on rules was invoked yesterday to break down the obstruction in the path of the tariff debate. An ironclad order was brought in setting the programme of the tariff debate and fixing January 25 as the day for taking the final vote.

A Caucus on Tariff.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—Judge Holman issued the following call: "There will be a meeting of the Democratic members of the house in the hall of the house Friday evening, January 5, at 8 o'clock p. m."

Must Wait on the Tariff.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Mr. Wilson says the bond question will have to wait until the tariff is out of the way.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The house got down to work yesterday and the first gun on tariff reform was fired.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 6.—The policy of the Republicans on the election repeal bill in the senate will not be to antagonize the measure by filibustering.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—The executive session of the senate yesterday was held for the purpose of taking up nominations which have been reported from the committees and to which no objection is made in the senate.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The appropriation committee is making good progress on the large appropriation bills before it, but there is no prospect of an immediate report on any of them.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The president and Mrs. Cleveland gave their state dinner in honor of the cabinet at the white house last night.

A VERY COSTLY FIRE.

THE WORLD'S FAIR BUILDING CONSUMED.

The Casino, Peristyle, Music Hall and the Liberal Arts Buildings Swept Out of Existence by Hungry Flames and Losses Reach Into Millions.

CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—The casino, peristyle, music hall and liberal arts buildings are in ruins. The fire started in the casino, just east of the agricultural building and south of the peristyle.

A Fatal Explosion.

Boundary Settled.

Killed His Son.

Killed His Sweetheart.

A Baby Story.

Family Murdered.

born of this city met a peculiarly horrible death. While riding on horseback near Park and Compton avenues her horse frightened by an electric car and shied, falling itself and throwing the young lady under the wheels of the extra heavy cars of the Compton Heights street car line which at that point moved down a heavy grade.

Hawaiians are Firm.

AUCKLAND, Jan. 5.—Advices from Honolulu to December 22, have been received here by steamer Alameda which says she has just arrived from San Francisco.

A Jealous Woman's Work.

Shot by French Troops.

Confirmed by Munger.

Opium Smugglers Sentenced.

Wants Him Impeached.

A Boon to Humanity.

All of the above gentlemen are so well pleased with the results that we do not hesitate to join them in recommending it to suffering humanity.

The cost is trifling—a dollar a box—and the makers, The Sterling Remedy company, have so much faith in No-to-bac that they absolutely guarantee three boxes to cure any case, or refund money.

ALL OVER THE WORLD

HAPPENINGS OF GENERAL INTEREST TO ALL.

A Comprehensive Epitome of Serious and Sensational Sortings Carefully Condensed from All the Leading Dailies for the Past Week.

While a large number of children were skating on the Spree at Cuttbus, Brandenburg, Germany, recently the ice gave way and twenty-five of them fell into the river.

The mysterious movements of Miss Madeline Pollard since leaving Cincinnati are greatly perplexing to Col. Breckinridge and his friends.

An aged mail carrier became lost in the snow between Buffalo and Red Rock, Wyo., recently and wandered in a circle for two days.

At Lahore, India, recently resolutions adopted by the national congress declare that 50,000,000 people are on the verge of starvation and urge the government to take immediate steps to succor them.

Richard Schayler of Orange, N. J., has four wonderful freak birds. Each bird has the head of a baboon, the squeak of a pig and the wings of an eagle.

At Omaha, Neb., some time since Oscar F. Spate supposed he had married a woman, but afterwards found to his horror that his "wife" was a man, and now he has sued for a divorce.

Mr. Harter, Democrat, has introduced in the house to authorize the secretary of the treasury to issue an unlimited amount of bonds to run thirty years and bear 3 per cent.

Governor Lewelling of Kansas has removed Mrs. Mary E. Lease from the board of public charities.

Farmers of Montezuma valley, Col., are hauling their wheat from thirty to sixty-five miles to Durango in wagons, and make good wages by saving railroad charges.

At Brazil, Ind., in the Ows-Biggs murder case the jury brought in a verdict finding the prisoner guilty of murder and fixing his punishment at life sentence in prison.

At Hot Springs, Ark., recently, Wing Song Whoo, a Chinaman, was arrested charged with having criminally assaulted little Gracie McLain, a respectable white girl.

Florence Mulahy, aged 2 years, and Martin Moore, aged 60 years, were suffocated by smoke during a fire that broke out at 74 Pearl street, New York, a few days ago.

John Sullivan, a boiler maker, was arrested recently and confessed to having burglarized the St. Louis Real Estate exchange seven times within the last two months.

Charles Hendrickson, an old man recently found in a cellar in New York, who had been without food for eleven days, with his legs frozen.

Six thousand men and women employed as clerks in various mercantile establishments of Chicago were discharged in one week recently.

Miss Annie Alt, publicly horse-whipped one Harry P. Hannaford at Denver, Col., a few days since. She said he had insulted her.

Two men, a woman and a child were found dead in the streets of Berlin, Germany, recently. They were all victims of cold weather.

The coinage of gold in the Philadelphia mint during October was greater than for any month since the mint was established.

The German government is considering the advisability of adopting measures to restrict the use of explosives by miners.

Prince Maximilian of Saxony, a nephew of King Albert, has been ordained a Catholic priest by Bishop Leonard.

A beautiful young man in Kentucky received as Christmas presents seven mirrors, seven hair brushes and seven combs.

New Mexico papers are boasting of such fine, clear nights that duck hunting is carried on successfully all night.

There is some talk at Washington of impeaching President Cleveland for his action in the Hawaiian matter.

The verdict assessing the death penalty by the Prongerst jury, is almost universally approved.

The Railroad Equipment company of Chicago assigned recently. Assets \$40,000, liabilities \$20,000.

Figures show that the total railroad mileage of the country on June 30, 1893, was 171,563.52 miles.

Not less than \$140,000,000 was spent in railway travel last year in this country.

The death rate from yellow fever at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil, is increasing.

The prohibition question is being argued in the Supreme Court.

